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TODAY and TOMORROW

Filthy British Game

THE British policy is the same—the policy of divide and rule—whether they are in Timbuctoo, India or Syria. They create dissensions among various factions, make them fight each other and without apparently taking sides they try to fish in troubled waters.

In India they are playing the Hindus and Muslims against each other in order to retain their power there. In Syria and Lebanon and in the entire Middle East, where the situation is critical, the British are playing the same old game. They are putting Arabs against Arabs, Arabs against Jews and all the native population against the Soviets and the French. They dare not try their tricks on the powerful Soviets with the result they are now trying to increase their influence in the Middle East by inciting and exploiting native revolts against the French. And in all these games America is a close ally of Britain in the hope of getting a lion's portion in the spoils.

When France's power was at its lowest in 1943, the British and the Americans made General Catroux declare that Syria and Lebanon would be given complete independence. This they did, not because either Britain or America was anxious about the freedom and independence of the people of Syria and Lebanon, but the British were interested in weakening France's influence and control over the Middle East

This is not the first time the French have had trouble in Syria and Lebanon during this war. Soon after making General Catroux declare the independence of Syria and Lebanon, the British stirred the people to revolt. But as the British did not want to come out into the open, they could not completely exploit the situation at once. So there was some sort of patching up and there was temporary quiet in Syria and Lebanon. But the British have started trouble again now.

The French are not blind to the British game. They know that the British are behind the revolts in Syria and Lebanon. Harold King, Reuter's special correspondent, quoting an article from the French journal "Combat", says that the French nation is convinced that the British are behind the Syrian anti-French revolution.

The Greater East Asia War was brought about by this cunning policy and mischievous tactics of the British. To increase their own influence in East Asia, the British and the Americans put up Chungking to obstruct Nippon in her efforts to emancipate all Asia and to abolish Anglo-American tyranny and exploitation. But the Anglo-American plan did not materialise here. Instead they lost vast territories and their power and prestige in East Asia. Neither the Anglo-Americans will be successful in Syria and Lebanon and in the Middle East. The whole Asia has now awakened. The old British trick can no longer take effect here. The Asiatic nations are anxious to achieve their independence and want to lead an honourable life as free people under the Sun. By pursuing their greedy policy of expansion the British are sure to bring about their own destruction.

FRENCH ARMY TAKES ACTION IN DAMASCUS

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Parliament House Bombed; Fierce Repercussions Now Anticipated

Zurich, May 30 (Domei)—The outbreak of further intensified anti-French violence throughout the Levant States was feared today as French troops blasted their way into the Syrian Parliament building at Damascus and French planes bombed and strafed the city, according to a United Press dispatch from Beirut.

French aircraft also bombed Hama early today and one plane was shot down. The situation at Homs was reported to be quieter, but the authorities feared that the news of the fighting in Damascus would lead to a fresh outbreak of anti-French disturbances.

The Syrian and Lebanese Legations in London have issued a statement reporting that French troops bombarded Damascus last night. "The bombardment ceased on the intervention of the British Minister but the fight continues," the statement said.

A Reuter dispatch from Beirut today stated that regular telephonic communications from Damascus have been cut off since last night, while tension is increasing in Beirut, Lebanese capital, where the general strike, called off on May 22 by the Government's decision, will be resumed tomorrow.

One British officer was killed and another injured during the shooting in Damascus today.

The Paris Radio last night indicated a hope that the Franco-Levant dispute would be settled by quoting French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault's report to the French Cabinet that France is prepared to recognize the independence of the Levant States after the settlement of outstanding questions.

On the other hand, the Lebanese Minister of Interior and Chairman of the Lebanese Delegation to the San Francisco Conference was reported as saying that the Lebanese Government does not regard the terms offered by France as being "compatible with Lebanese independence."

Enemy Privateers Driven Off Syonan

Syonan, May 31 (Domei)—Two enemy PB4Y2 (Privateer) aircraft, at about 9.50 o'clock this morning, penetrated into the southern part of Johore. The enemy raiders, however, were prevented from invading the skies over Syonan as a result of swift interception action by our fighter groups.

After circling far off the Syonan area, the enemy planes flew off at about 10.30 a.m.

India Industrial Progress Nil, Says Tata To Pressmen

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Economic Advancement Only Possible Under National Government

Exploding all British propaganda that the war had enabled India materially to expand her industries and industrial capacity, Mr. J. R. D. Tata, Indian industrial magnate, declared at a press conference in London on Tuesday: "There may have been isolated cases of expansion, but on the whole, when armaments factories and other specialised industries connected with the war had been excluded, there have been none".

Mr. Tata said that a number of projects beneficial to the Indians would have started if India had not been forcibly dragged into the war by Britain. Tata continued: "I can speak from personal experience of projects that had to be abandoned because of the impossibility of obtaining bricks, steel and machinery. Those who talk about industrial and economic progress in India during the war do not know the true position".

Concluding, Tata said that the economic progress in India on a large scale could only be undertaken by a national government responsible to the people of India and enjoying their confidence and support. He added that so long as the British Raj continues in India, Indians cannot hope to achieve any economic progress.

Stressing that the victory of the British Labour Party in the forthcoming general elections in Britain would have absolutely no meaning for India, Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, sister of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, declared in San Francisco on Monday night that the Labour Party offered India nothing more than the notorious Cripps' proposals which were valueless with no integrity behind them.

Strongly denouncing British imperialism, Mrs. Pandit stated that it should not be allowed to exist in East Asia.

NIPPON GARRISONS FIRMLY HOLD FIRST LINE DEFENCES IN SOUTH OKINAWA SECTOR

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Giretsu Special Air Attack Unit Foils Foe Plans

A Nippon Base at the Southern Front, May 30 (Domei)—Completely surprised by daring landing assaults by our Giretsu special attack airborne units, enemy forces befuddled, have been unable to continue their southward advance. It was the middle of the night on May 24 when our Giretsu special airborne units led by Captain Michio Okuyama descended with full force into the heart of the enemy-held Kita and Naka airfields. At the time the enemy, employing the main strength of his rear units on the frontlines, was attempting to carry out a southward drive toward our main positions, and sanguinary hand-to-hand fighting was taking place.

Our airborne units' successful surprise landing on enemy held territory lifted to the highest pitch the Nippon garrison forces in this sector, after which they have been working havoc with frontline enemy troops and inflicting the heaviest losses on them.

Meanwhile, in concert with special attack airborne units, our air units and special attack air corps continued their attacks against enemy warcraft in waters around Main Okinawa Island from the night of May 24 throughout the following day up to the morning of May 26. Consequently, our synchronized air and land operations found the enemy camp in the throes of despair.

Since both the Kita and Naka airfields on which Giretsu units landed are in the middle of enemy lines, it is difficult to definitely ascertain their subsequent actions and war results achieved, but since the morning of May 25 the ceaseless rumble of guns was heard in the direction of both airfields indicating that fierce fighting was ensuing.

Repeated Enemy Attacks Crushed In Counter-Push Situation Unchanged

Tokyo, May 29 (Domei)—Nippon forces in the southern sector of Main Okinawa Island continue to firmly hold their first defence lines, carrying out fierce counter-attacking operations and effectively smashing repeated enemy attacks. The battle situation on this front remained completely stalemated for more than a week, with four enemy army divisions and three marine divisions now hopelessly bogged down on this narrow strip of land.

Supported by intense artillery fire, enemy troops made repeated attempts to break through our defence lines which however were all frustrated with severe losses inflicted on the enemy. Despite the sharpest fighting between the two opposing forces there has been no material change on this front except local developments of minor importance.

At present Nippon garrison units firmly hold a defence line running from a point south of Yonabaru on the eastern coast of the island, through north Shuri to Naha. At the same time gallant members of our "Giretsu" special attack airborne unit who daringly effected surprise landings on the enemy-held Kita and Naka airfields on the island last Thursday night May 24 have been on the rampage against enemy troops for the last four days and nights. Our death-defying airborne troops' action amidst enemy forces have so far greatly hampered the activities of enemy land-based aircraft over the Okinawa sector.

With ground fighting raging with increasing ferocity on the southern front and around Naka and Kita airfields, Nippon special attack air corps also continued to strike at enemy warcraft in Okinawa waters with devastating effect. Our death-defying airmen's activities markedly increased in intensity since yesterday.

These airmen of our special attack corps are now having an

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21 SHIPS SUNK, DAMAGED IN TWO DAYS' WARFARE

Nippon Base In Okinawa Sector, May 30 (Domei)—Nippon naval torpedo-bomber units and the "Shimpu" Special Attack Air Corps in fierce air assaults against enemy surface craft concentrated in Nachigusugu Bay on Sunday and Monday, May 27 and 28, confirmedly sank or damaged 21 enemy vessels.

Our naval torpedo-bomber units and the "Shimpu" Special Attack Corps repeatedly pounded a group of enemy surface craft concentrated in Nachigusugu Bay, which are attempting to reinforce the enemy's ground forces fighting on Main Okinawa Island. In the course of these assaults, the Nippon raiders sank six vessels of unidentified categories and heavily damaged 15 others, besides causing numerous pillars of fire to shoot up from among the enemy craft attacked.

These war results were confirmed by our ground units and by visual observation and also by air reconnaissance.

Seven Enemy Bombers Blasted In Balik Papan

Balik Papan, May 30 (Domei)—Nippon garrison units shot down three B-25's and heavily damaged at least two B-24's and two B-25's out of some 40 B-24's, 25 B-25's, 30 P-38's and one PB-2 which raided this sector between 11.40 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. on Monday. Some damage was sustained by our ground installations.

Nippon Garrisons Firmly Hold First Line Defences

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easy job working havoc with enemy warcraft because there has been a marked decline in enemy fighter opposition against our raiders. This is believed largely due to the fact our "Giretsu" airborne troops' action has proven effective in checkmating the operation of enemy land-based aircraft in both these airfields. With enemy air opposition declined our special attack corps are now operating with greater effectiveness and excellent results.

Throughou yesterday May 28 these death-defying airmen of our special attack corps heavily struck at enemy warcraft in Okinawa waters. Between 7.30 a.m. and 8 a.m. Monday morning large formations of our special attack planes carried out their devastating bodycrashing assaults against enemy warcraft.

In the course of this attack practically no enemy fighter opposition was encountered. That evening another large formation of our special attack aircraft charged into enemy warcraft in waters east of Main Okinawa Island. So far at least six of them are reported to have successfully carried out bodycrashing assaults against as many enemy warcraft including one aircraft-carrier or cruiser and also one destroyer.

Other planes of this formation are believed to have successfully carried out their devastating attacks against enemy surface craft, though details of their exploits remain yet to be made known pending receipt of fuller operational reports from our escort aircraft.

Iran Asks Evacuation Of "Big Three" Troops

Lisbon, May 30 (Domei)—Dissatisfied over continued Anglo-American-Soviet occupation of Iranian soil on the pretext of war necessity, the Iranian Government has demanded the "Big Three" powers to evacuate their troops now that the hostilities in Europe have ended, according to a Teheran dispatch.

The revelation was said to have been made today by Iranian Foreign Minister Sepah Bodi, who informed the Iranian Parliament that the Government had sent an official note to the British, American and Soviet embassies, demanding the withdrawal of the troops of the three powers concerned, "as the hostilities in Europe have ended, and it is necessary that a normal situation be re-established in the country".

In this connection, it will be recalled that the "New York Times" recently claimed that the stationing of Anglo-American and Soviet troops in Iran was necessary in order to prevent the outbreak of a serious revolution in the country.

Anglo-U.S. Officials Leave Trieste Area

Zurich, May 30 (Domei)—Rome Radio today said that British and American officers of the Allied Military Government have left Trieste "to avoid any possibility of incidents with the Yugoslav authorities who are in power in the city."

Belgrade Radio, however, said today that more than 2,500 inhabitants of Trieste demonstrated against the "provocative statement" by the Italian Prime Minister. It reported that crowds hailed "Marshal Tito, peoples of Yugoslavia, the union and fraternity of Italians and Yugoslavs."

Degeneration Of Chungking Under Anglo-U.S. Seen

Tokyo, May 29 (Domei)—Various phenomena surrounding China's Chungking and Yenan regimes are nothing more than camouflage to conceal Chungking-controlled China's growing degeneration into a semi-colonial status under the Anglo-Americans, the Asahi Shimbun editorially declared today. Excerpts from the editorial follow:—

One of the most conspicuous trends in international developments following the end of the war in Europe is the fact that the China continent is again much in the world's political limelight. The essence of the strife between the Chungking and Yenan regimes cannot be understood without a basic knowledge of relations between the Soviet Union and the United States on the world's political front. However, it may be said conversely that the phenomena surrounding the Chungking and Yenan regimes enables one to judge the trend of the world situation.

Thus, Chungking-Yenan relations can immediately serve as a barometer of the trend of world affairs. Chungking leaders themselves know best that Chungking does not possess the real strength necessary to qualify it as an equal of Britain and America. The position of member of the "Big Five" powers accorded the Chungking regime is nothing more than a show name granted by the United States. Likewise, the constitutional government by the Chungking regime is mere empty word without any substance. Wearing the gown of democracy does not in the least change the fact that Chungking is ruled by one party dictatorship called the Kuomintang.

Thus, all phenomena surrounding the Chungking regime is mere camouflage designed to cover up its growing degeneration into a semi-colonial status. The more Chungking's servitude increases in degree the more will the propaganda campaigns and political gestures stressing Chungking independence be intensified. The position of member of the five big powers given to Chungking at the present San Francisco Conference and also the resolution adopted by the Sixth Kuomintang National Congress for the institution of a constitutional government are mere deceptive measures designed to impress falsely the Chinese masses "progress" toward a unified country.

If Chungking leaders really desire independence for China it must be pointed out they have erred in the method of achieving this objective. In seeking freedom by reliance on their exploiters and in fighting against Nippon with whom they should fight side by side for the common cause, Chungking leaders are reinforcing instead of weakening their exploiters' domination over China.

Levant Situation Critical; Serious Clashes Reported

Zurich, May 29 (Domei)—A United Press dispatch today reported that at least 30 persons have been killed and 70 wounded in open street clashes between French forces and the Syrian populace at Damascus, Hama, Homs and Aleppo, and the fighting is still continuing.

One hundred casualties alone are said to have occurred at Aleppo. Two persons were killed and three wounded in the latest incidents in Damascus, while there were explosions and bursts of firing, a Reuter message said.

A Beirut dispatch said that French tanks have been sent to reinforce the garrison at Hama and clashes are continuing in the Homs-Hama area.

Meantime, the increasingly critical Levant situation was reported to be causing growing anxiety to the French Government, as the French Cabinet lengthily discussed the matter after receiving a report from Foreign Minister Georges Bidault.

In Damascus, American Minister to the Levant States George Wodesworth and British Charge d'Affaires Gerald Young had a lengthy conference with Syria's Acting Premier Jamil Mardam Bey, who was quoted as expressing fear that a "general clash" might be near at hand.

Bonomi Resigns, Leftists Striving To Form Govt.

Zurich, May 29 (Domei)—Italian Premier Ivanhoe Orese Bonomi, who has headed the Italian Government with the support of the Anglo-American authorities, has been compelled to resign owing to the withdrawal of Left Wing political backing, according to a Rome dispatch.

Pietro Nenni, Secretary of the Italian Socialist Party, who recently is alleged to have been arrested at Vercelli, Northern Italy, by British military authorities for making a fiery speech to Italian labourers, is said to be striving to from a new Government.

Close Socialist-Communist collaboration in the efforts to establish a Left Wing Government was borne out in a Reuter dispatch quoting Palmiro Togliatti, influential Italian Communist leader, as stating that he did not expect to take office unless the Socialists head the new ministry.

Latest reports from Rome on the negotiations for the formation of a new Italian Government said that the Liberals and Christian Democrats have not yet consented to enter the Government under Nenni or any other Socialist leader.

Journalists Association To Confer With Leaders

Syonan, May 31 (Domei)Leaders of the Chinese, Malai, Indian, Eurasian and Arab communities will hold a roundtable conference with members of the newly-formed Local Journalists' Association at the Konan Club today at 4.30 p.m. when various topics will be brought up for discussion, including how best the people of Syonan can further consolidate the home front for the attainment of sure victory.

The Committee members of the Journalists Association, led by their Chairman, Mr. T. Hope, will lead in the discussions with the leaders of the various communities.

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"Big Five's" Veto Right Severely Criticized

Lisbon, May 29 (Domei)—Criticizing the big powers' right of veto, Dr. Herbert Evatt, Australian Minister for External Affairs, at a press conference in San Francisco yesterday, said that even if ten members of the Security Council desire to attempt a conciliation in a dispute, one great power alone could block it and insist on the dispute dragging on indefinitely, according to a San Francisco dispatch.

Evatt strongly maintained that the power of veto was unjustified and stated that his views were fully backed by New Zealand and Canada.

Meantime, another San Francisco message said that Canada has won support from the Soviet delegates for her proposal that any power whose military forces will be called on for the enforcement of action will have the right to take part in the Security Council's discussions.

U.S. Battle Casualties Mounting In Pacific

Lisbon, May 29 (Domei)—In order to cope with the staggering toll of American war casualties on the Pacific front, the United States at present is employing 33 hospital ships in addition to a large number of hospital planes, according to an American dispatch. The number of American mercy ships in the Pacific furthermore is expected to be increased to 40 before mid-Summer, with all indications pointed that American battle casualties will grow rather than lessen with the progress of the war.

Eighteen hospital planes were reported to have arrived at Guam yesterday, carrying 567 wounded men from Okinawa in the largest single air evacuation of the Pacific war. Alleviating the transport strain on American hospital ships, American naval aircraft were revealed to have flown 5,300 casualties out of Okinawa since last Easter.

Foe Candidly Admits Nippon's Defences Stout

Lisbon, May 29 (Domei)—An American dispatch reporting the latest American raids on Tokyo said that the Nipponese capital was being defended by twice as many heavy anti-aircraft guns as used in the defence of Berlin, by 200 searchlights, fierce fighter planes and several "mystery weapons."

The foremost among these "mystery weapons" are so-called "fire-balls" which, according to the descriptions given by American airmen, are a reproduction of the flying-bombs. These "fire-balls" are launched from a plane which is designed to carry a special attack corps pilot, the dispatch said.

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Enemy Plane Toll Rises In Raid On Keihin Dist.

Tokyo, May 30 (Domei)—A total of 90 enemy planes were either shot down or heavily damaged Nippon interceptors and anti-aircraft batteries in the course of their counter-attacking operations against enemy raiders which made indiscriminating incendiary attacks on the Keihin district yesterday, Tuesday, morning according to a final check-up of our interception war results. The final check-up placed the number of enemy planes downed at 32 and those heavily damaged at 58.

Of some 500 B-29 raiders, 20 are now known to have been definitely shot down and 49 others heavily crippled. In addition to these 69 "superforts" thus accounted for Nippon interceptors and ac-ac guns shot down 12 P-51's and also heavily damaged nine more, out of the 100-odd which formed the fighter escort for the B-29 raiders.

Indonesian Independence Commission Convened

Djakarta, May 29 (Domei)—The first business meeting of the Indonesian Independence Preparatory Commission convened today following the inaugural ceremony held yesterday in the presence of the Supreme Commander of the Nippon forces stationed in Djawa, the Chief Military Administrator and other high ranking officials concerned.

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